

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO**

**Department 75 Policies & Procedures
(Revised 3/8/04)**

Independent Calendar Cases Assigned to Judge Richard E. L. Strauss

ALL PARTIES SHALL COMPLY WITH THE SAN DIEGO SUPERIOR COURT LOCAL RULES.

CALENDARS

1. EX PARTE APPLICATIONS & HEARINGS ON MINOR'S COMPROMISES:

Ex parte applications and hearings on Minor's Compromises are heard Monday through Thursday at 8:30am by reservation only. Reservations may be obtained by calling the Independent Calendar Clerk at (619) 685-6120 at least 24 hours in advance of the hearing. Moving parties are to notify all parties in the case by 10:00am the day before the hearing as required pursuant to CRC 379(b). Ex parte applications and supporting documents on all ex parte hearings are to be filed by 10:00am the day before the hearing, along with the appropriate filing fee. Papers in support of the minor's compromise are to be filed one week in advance of the hearing. Parties shall provide reasonable telephonic notice to the court if a cancellation of an ex parte reservation becomes necessary.

2. LAW & MOTION:

Motions are heard by reservations only and a date may be obtained by calling the Independent Calendar (I.C.) Clerk at (619) 685-6120. Motions are heard Friday afternoon, as set by the I.C. Clerk. This department follows California Rules of Court rule 324(a)(2) and issues tentative rulings by 4 p.m. the court day prior to the hearing. Prior to filing any discovery motion, Counsel are required to come in ex parte to obtain a hearing date. Counsel need not file moving papers on the discovery motions at the time of the ex parte hearing. Judgment Debtor Examinations are heard at 1:30pm on Fridays.

3. CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCES:

Case management conferences are heard on Friday mornings, unless otherwise designated by the court. Parties are to be prepared to inform the court of the status of the case and to be assigned to arbitration, mediation or receive Trial Date, Trial Readiness Conference Date, Exchange of Experts Dates, Law & Motion and Discovery Cut Off Date and Date to Post Jury Fees. Case Management Statements are required to be filed at least 10 days prior to the hearing by all parties.

4. TRIAL READINESS CONFERENCES:

Trial Readiness Conferences are held on Fridays at 9:00am, unless otherwise designated by the court. A Joint Trial Readiness Conference Report must be prepared and filed at the conference. Advanced trial review orders will be ordered at the trial readiness conference and are to be signed by all parties along with the stipulation and order for return of exhibits, which is attached to the advanced trial review orders.

5. TRIAL CALLS:

Trial calls are heard on Fridays at 9:00 am, unless otherwise designated by the court. The court will advise the parties as to when the trial will begin or if they will be on telephone stand by. Trial notebook due at trial call with copies of Joint trial Readiness

report, Motions in Limine, oppositions and replies in order, Trial Briefs if any, Joint witness list and Joint exhibit list.

6. **TRIALS:**

Trial hours are Monday through Thursday from 9:00am to 12:00pm and 1:30pm to 4:30pm, unless otherwise ordered, with a 15-minute break in the am and pm.

7. **DEFAULT PROVE-UPS:**

Default prove-ups may be done by affidavit unless it was served by publication, or involves fraud, quiet title and punitive damages. Hearing date for Default Prove-up may be obtained by calling the IC clerk at (619) 685-6120. If an OSC for failure to submit judgment papers is set, counsel must submit their judgment papers at least 2 weeks prior to the hearing to allow time for the judgment to be entered and the OSC vacated.

8. **TELEPHONIC APPEARANCES:**

This department strictly follows the procedures set forth in California Rules of Court rule 298.

FILING OF PAPERS

All papers shall be filed in the Business Office. Documents dropped in the Dept.75 mailbox will be file- stamped the same date it is dropped, except orders and judgments. Filings will not be accepted after 4:30pm. Conformed copies will be returned if there is an attorney service slip or self addressed stamped envelope provided.

Department 75 Staff:

Court Clerk	Tipin Johnson	(619) 685-6148
Court Reporter	Jim Partridge	(619) 685-6179
Bailiff	John Pollak	(619) 685-6148
Calendar Clerk	Doreen Cadava	(619) 685-6120
Staff Attorney	Vacant	

Pursuant to the California Rules of Professional Conduct Rule 5-3000 the Research Attorney will not talk to any parties regarding any cases; therefore her phone number is not listed.

Judge Strauss strictly enforces the San Diego Superior Court Local Rules.